

POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY
 COMMISSION OF VETERAN AFFAIRS
 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
 August 10, 2021 VA Multi-Purpose Room
 1:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- **Call to Order:** Holly Collins, Chairman called the meeting to order @ 1:03 pm
- **Pledge of Allegiance:** All that attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance
- **Roll Call-** Holly Collins, Chairman; Ellen Way, Secretary; Skyler Dooley, Member and Jesse Shea, Member absent Mick Gutttau, Member; Office Personnel Nick Jedlicka, Director; Peggy Becker, Caseworker III; Pam Wilke, Caseworker II and Paul Rosenberg, Caseworker II
- **Additions or Corrections to the Agenda:** None
- **BOS Updates-** No BOS Present
- **Commissioner Updates:** No Updates given
- **Public Comment (3-minute speaking limit per person)** No Public in Attendance

OLD BUSINESS

- ❖ **Approval of the minutes for July:** Motion to approve made by Skyler Dooley, Chairman second by Jesse Shea, Member All in Favor 4 Aye 0 Nay Motion Carries
- ❖ **Approval of assistance given for July:** (No assistance provided no approval needed)
- ❖ **Budget FY 21-22:** Should be at 8% overall at 6%

➤ **Federal County Assistance Report for July 2021:**

| | July | Previous Month June |
|-----------|------|---------------------|
| Walk Ins: | 159 | 166 |
| Calls: | 305 | 368 |
| Total: | 464 | 534 |

| County | State | Federal |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| New Clients /Calls 12 | Driver License Application 1 | Total Fed Forms 136 of these were |
| Pantry/Clothing 5 | License Plate Application 5 | Benefit Application 38 |
| Grave Marker 2 | Hunting/Fishing License 1 | Intent to File 16 |
| Mail I/O 71 | | Headstone Application 1 |
| 159 Walk Ins, 48 had Appt | | Home Loan Certificate 0 |
| | | SF-180 3 |

➤ **Facilities Update:**

- ❖ **MPR Usage:** The MPR is still being utilized by County Depts and Service Organizations, Public Health is still conducting the Vaccine Clinics are still being held here 4X a week, M-W-F nights and half-day Saturday. With the B-Wing remodel at the court house completed, there are two additional conference rooms available.
- ❖ **Outreach Opportunities:** The VFW hosted a Car Show on premise on Saturday, July 31st. There were about ½ as many entries as there were last year, but overall there was a good turnout.

OLD BUSINESS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- ❖ **Policy Changes:** Changes to the policy were made to reflect the Relocation Grant. The future goal is to have the policies and application process available online from our website. Jesse Shea, Member made a Motion to Approve the changes to the Policy/Guidelines second by Skyler Dooley, Member All in Favor 4 Aye 0 Nay Motion Carries
- ❖ **22 til Freedom Classic Car Show:** Saturday August 7th and McMullen Ford. Our office had a booth set up, unfortunately things got pretty soaked when a storm came through with torrential rain and high winds. Overall the turnout was good
- ❖ **Commission Appointment/Reappointment:** The BOS is conducting interviews for the open seat on the Commission today and Thursday 8/12.

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NEW BUSINESS

- ❖ **CPR Training:** The County/Public Health has offered CPR training to all employees; each department is required to purchase the materials for the class. The Director presented the option to attend to the Commissioners as well.
- ❖ **Vehicle Damage/Repair:** The Vehicle sustained a rock chip in the windshield @ some point and that repair is happening today. Unfortunately, at Saturdays Outreach Event during the storm/high winds the neighboring booth had its awning pulled off ground and it flew into the passenger rear quarter panel cause a significant scratch. The person in the neighboring booth was holding the awning down and was also pulled into the air and ended up going to the ER after he impacted with the awning. The estimate to repair the scratch is \$813. Insurance covered the windshield but the scratch we will need to pay as our deductible.
- ❖ **Significant Retro Active VA Compensation Awards:**
 - 100% Schedular Rating from a 10% rating on Appeal back to 7/2019 for a retro benefit of approximately \$66k (Navy Asbestos Claim)
 - TDIU (100%) from a 90% rating on Appeal back to 6/2014 for a retro benefit of approximately \$114k (Back Injury Claim)
 - 100% Schedular Rating from an 80% rating back to 6/2011 for a retro benefit of approximately \$191k (Blue Water Navy Claim)

CLOSED SESSION AS ALLOWED PER CODE OF IOWA CHAPTER 21.5, 1(A)August ASSISTANCE REQUESTS: No Requests for Assistance

MEETING ADJOURNED Skyler Dooley, Member made a motion to adjourn second by Jesse Shea Member, All in favor 4 Aye 0 Nay Motion carries meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting September 14, 2021- 1:00 pm